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NOTE AND COMMENT

The editor of the Red Deer Advocate, Mr. F. W. Galbraith, was formerly the editor of the Guelph Mercury and when he sets out to discuss the question of municipal street railway ownership, he speaks from first-hand knowledge. Guelph, a city with a smaller population even at the present time than Edmonton has and more compactly built and accordingly less in need of a street railway, has made its municipal line pay. Mr. Galbraith writes in the Advocate as follows:

"Guelph and St. Thomas, two of Ontario's smaller cities, where the street railway failed under private ownership, have now successful concerns under municipal operation by commission. They have the lowest rates in Ontario—3c for regular travel; the Guelph people were offered \$125,000 cash last year for a road which cost them \$1000, and the people smiled at the idea of accepting such an offer, the Ontario Railway Commission declared that the Guelph municipal street railway had the smoothest road-bed and best equipment of any road in the province, and the wages of the men have been raised three times since the city took hold, twice voluntarily. The Advocate's advice to the people of Edmonton regarding Mr. Cronin's offer is—don't look at it."

The secret of Guelph's success is not hard to discover. It has placed its street railway under the control of sound business men, of whom the chairman is Mr. J. W. Lyon. They have conducted it on business principles and the people have reaped the benefit. Why should not Edmonton do what Guelph has done? Can anyone deny that a franchise in a city, which has the prospects of the Albertan capital, is worth many times that in Guelph?

As was pointed out on this page some time ago, it is foolish to talk about this and that theory in connection with a question such as the people of Edmonton are face to face with. No theory ever made either a municipal or private business venture a success. Municipal ownership of street car lines will pay, if qualified men are placed in control of the system and are allowed to conduct it in the interests of the ratepayers just as they would if they were conducting it for a body of shareholders.

The present movement to sell the Edmonton franchise is doing the city no good. Newspapers throughout the country are taking it to mean that the city is on the verge of bankruptcy. For instance the Calgary News throws this heading over a despatch from Edmonton. "Want to Sell Railway. Edmonton in a bad plight owing to lack of money." The inference is quite incorrect. The city has just made an advantageous sale of over half a million dollars worth of debentures. Its credit is excellent and the idea that it has gone on the rocks is erroneous to the last degree. It can complete its own street railway next year, if it so desires, without a doubt, and there is no good reason whatever, why it should be diverted from its purpose.

But it is not at all strange that outsiders should come to the conclusion that Edmonton is "up against it." Here was a body of citizens, who a year ago were practically unanimously in favor of municipal ownership of the street car lines. So determined were they to retain the control themselves that they were prepared to fight the old Tretaway Co., which claimed that it still had a franchise, to the last ditch. Now they take up with the next promoter to come along. They must be in a pretty bad way, the observer argues, to make such a change of base in so short a time.

In the same connection, note an

Along the Crow's Nest Line



The Spokane Flyer at the Height of Land



Coleman

These two views, taken in the course of a recent trip to Cranbrook, are of interest for several reasons. The

sible peaks in the Rockies, in the background. At the risk of offending some of those who do not believe in telling

what crop beats all records and has done more than anything else to save the situation throughout the west. The Saturday News refers to these

perature being so high a great part of the snow that fell melted and ran away and there was no means of determining just how

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SUB DIVISION

if arrangements could be made to have it completed immediately at any cost or sacrifice it would cause Edmonton to advance, and stimulate business. This idea was crystallized in the remark of one individual who said: "Our present gain in selling will make up for our future loss." That is a very doubtful proposition. If a financial gain is meant, it is hard to see why capitalists refuse Edmonton bonds, and accept an Edmonton franchise, unless they expect to squeeze more money out of the franchise than they could out of the bonds. If so, there would be a permanent cumulative financial loss to the city.

"If a gain to the city, through an immediate service and consequent stimulation of business, is meant, there again there is a counterbalance of a very serious nature. The whole trend of opinion is in favor of cities ceasing to give away or sell franchises that involve monopolies in the use of their streets for particular purposes. Edmonton's taking a step of this kind in the face of such a sentiment, would be likely to injure the prestige of the city among outsiders. At a distance it is difficult to appreciate all the conditions which may confront Edmonton. But on general principles, the Edmonton solution of its difficulties seems to be of a very doubtful character."

The Telegram's information is not correct in regard to Edmonton's

action and deliver an address, which while it gives no offence to the hosts of the evening does not hold out any encouragement to them. His references to the Oriental question and to the political record of the city in which the banquet was being held were also in his best vein. His government, he told his audience, would take no action precipitately in respect to Oriental immigration. There were mighty issues involved and any policy which would be adopted at Ottawa would be the result of thorough investigation and deliberation. As for Toronto, he always enjoyed his visits there, for many warmly attached to the city, probably for the same reason as the mother always thought the most of her wayward son.

But the manufacturers heard something else besides smooth speeches. Mr. Edward Gurney of Toronto was in a fighting mood when he discussed the tariff and declared that if he had his way, he would have a tariff erected as high as Haman's gallows. Oratory is a dangerous gift with some people and Mr. Gurney's figure of speech is likely to cost the manufacturers dear. A gallows tariff, such as he proposes, may be of benefit to the manufacturer but how about the consumer, who will be hanged upon it? Then a fact that is very interesting in this connection is recalled by a poet in the Toronto Star who writes:

The Liberals of Ontario have chosen as their leader in provincial politics a man of acute intellect and restless energy, Hon. A. G. Mackay of Owen Sound, who for a few months preceding the fall of the Ross administration held the portfolio of Crown Lands. It is in most cases a source of satisfaction to have a clever man attain a position in keeping with his ability and Mr. Mackay should have ahead of him a very bright career, at all stages of which he may be depended upon to make it interesting for his opponents.

As The Saturday News goes to press, Mr. Borden is speaking in Southern Alberta, coming north the first of the week and speaking in Red Deer on Monday. Wetaskiwin on Tuesday, Edmonton on Wednesday, and Vermilion on Thursday. As the man occupying the second most distinguished position in the public life of the country, as well as on account of his own character and ability, he is worthy of a hearty reception and an attentive hearing. He is now entering upon the last stages of the most ambitious tour ever undertaken by a Canadian politician, and with the opinions which he is expressing on the various problems before the Dominion, newspaper readers are for the most part familiar. But it is always much more satisfactory to come face to face with a man who is playing a big part in our affairs and it is cer-

for the railway people to give him a pass over their roads and let him build a lean-to against the freight shed for his office and plant. The company should stand willing that its enemy should write a book. Let it not be said that the city of Prince Rupert, its stores, factories and newspapers are subject to the will or caprice of any corporation."

It is reported that the railway and Mr. Houston came to terms during Mr. Hays' recent visit to Prince Rupert. But it is hard to understand why the editor's case should have come into national prominence or why a paper like the Globe should espouse his cause. In trying to establish his paper, he is not serving any great public interest, but simply trying to get in on the ground floor with a business venture. There are plenty of others, engaged in every variety of commercial pursuits, who would be glad to get established at Prince Rupert before the rush begins. But the railway company has wisely decided that they must wait till it completes arrangements in regard to laying out the town. The company wants to make Prince Rupert a beautiful and substantial city and it is proceeding on the theory that the only way to do this is to make certain preparations for the reception of a large population before it allows people to come in and build. Is its object a mean or tyrannical one? Would the Globe prefer the horrible conditions which

have existed in many western towns that have grown up in a night without any preparations being made for the influx of population to those which the G.T.P., proposes in Prince Rupert, where the first arrivals will find a good water supply, sewerage, properly laid out streets, etc., awaiting them? Was Cobalt, as it was in the first summer after it gained a place on the map, the Globe's ideal? This man Houston is very far from deserving sympathy. He is merely trying to gain privileges denied to others. So long as the railway gives everyone an equal chance, its policy is one which cannot be too highly commended.

The Alberta and Eastern British Columbia Press Association at its recent meeting in Cranbrook B.C., honored the Hearst of Southern Alberta, Mr. D. H. Elton, proprietor of three good papers in three good towns, Carleton, Magrath, and Raymond, by electing him to the Presidency. The editor is one of the brightest and brainiest young men in the province. The fact that he is a prominent Mormon may surprise and interest some of the easterners, who have shown signs of excitement over the presence of so large a number of former citizens of Utah in Alberta. But it never crossed the minds of the publishers in making their choice. Mr. Elton is a first class newspaper man, a public-spirited citizen and a prince of good fellows and that was enough. In a big country like this, we have too much to do, too many large problems to solve, too much need for the best men in all positions of public responsibility, to stop to ask what a man's religious belief is.

The Press Association promises to become a very powerful and useful body. While of value in allowing an exchange of ideas on questions affecting the business of publishing, it is bound to exert an influence on public affairs generally. This year the delegates had the good fortune to meet in one of the best towns in British Columbia, Cranbrook, the home of Mr. F. E. Simpson, the retiring president. The open-hearted welcome accorded them by the citizens will not soon be forgotten. There could be no doubt in the minds of the visitors as to what has brought Cranbrook to the front and made it the flourishing centre that it is. It has splendid natural resources close at hand, the lumbering, mining and fruit raising industries having attained large proportions, while as a C.P.R. divisional point, many railway men make their home there. But it is its body of enterprising citizens that constitutes its best asset. "Knock and it shall be opened unto you. But knock Cranbrook and we'll knock the stuffin' out of you" is its motto. In the work of building up the town, no unimportant agency has been the possession of one of the best, if not the best, local weekly newspapers in the whole of Western Canada, the Herald, owned and edited by Mr. Simpson.

The Press Association meets next year in Nelson B.C., but in 1909 there is every likelihood that the gathering will be brought to the northern part of Alberta. One of the most pleasant features in connection with it has always been the short holiday trip which followed. This year the members went by way of the Arrow Lakes up to Revelstoke and back to Calgary by the C.P.R. main line. In 1908 in that fascinating country a variation of this may be obtained without difficulty. In 1909 the probability is that a trip by rail to the Yellowhead Pass from Edmonton or to Lesser Slave Lake or Grand Rapids via rail and water will be available.

The appointment of Mr. J. C. P. Brown K.C. as city solicitor will prove a popular one. Mr. Brown is one of the city's oldest and most experienced practitioners and brings to the post an intimate acquaintance with the problems with which he will have to deal.

After refusing invitations from the Canadian Clubs in Montreal and Toronto, Rudyard Kipling was prevailed upon to speak before that body in Winnipeg. The plans of the poet laureate of the Empire seem to be somewhat indefinite but it is not likely that he will leave Edmonton out of his itinerary, in which case it is sincerely to be hoped that he will honor the local club.

going-away dress being of seal brown, brown velvet hat with shaded roses and plumes.

A wedding of exceptional interest took place in Calgary this week when on Wednesday Miss Ruby Jamieson, daughter of Mr. R. R. Jamieson, general superintendent of the C.P.R., became the wife of Mr. Reginald Stewart, also of the Southern City. The ceremony was quietly performed at the residence of the bride's parents.

On Tuesday Mrs. Mowat's "tea," given in her daughter's spacious quarters over the Bank of Montreal, brought the gay world down town, all dressed up in their prettiest biles and tuckers, and looking exceedingly smart in their new Autumn chapeaux. It was an ideal day for a reception, and all afternoon there was a most thoroughfare and blockade of carriages at the corner of Howard street.

Within doors, despite the comical nature of the beautiful airy rooms, never more attractive than on Tuesday, when bright grate fires, a perfect riot of exquisitely tinted autumn leaves and flowers galore vied with each other in setting off the artistic new wall decorations, it was all that one could manage to successfully navigate to one's chosen circle of intimates. It requires a "tea" with so thoroughly popular and dearly loved a woman as the hostess of the afternoon, to make one realize that a tremendously large number of smart people are making Edmonton their home. It was remarked on all sides the number of new faces present, such pretty women too, that one almost despaired of making the rounds to meet them all.

Mrs. Mowat received at the entrance to the second drawing room, handsomely frocked in a pretty soft blue liberty silk gown, with garniture of lovely filmy lace. Passing on into the cheery living room where tea was served, and on to the spacious dining room, the guests soon disposed themselves into congenial circles, and later had a tremendous hearing Miss Forsythe, the tender several charming songs in her own finished manner.

The tea table was exquisitely lovely, a central decoration of pink poppies, and asparagus and fern in a tall vase, shedding an indescribably beautiful shower of color and shade over four smaller vases of pale pink sweet peas, and the most delicately shaded pink candle lights, in pretty silver sticks. The picture of the lovely arrangement made against the dark Flemish oak of the table was one not soon to be forgotten. Here Mrs. Slocock and Mrs. Wallace McDonald, later relieved by Mrs. Spratt, presided, a bevy of young and pretty assistants passing the delicious dainties. To describe one quarter of the charming frocks and fair women present would be to attempt the impossible. Here and there noticed: Mrs. Cross, the essence of chic and dainty loveliness in her frock of champagne cloth, the bodice a mass of soft, lace frills with garniture of exquisite Japanese ribbon, and a stunning picture in her hair of black plumes. Mrs. H. C. Wilson in a trig black tailor made and chapeau to correspond; Mrs. Nightingale in a picture in French grey, with a jaunty little hat; Mrs. Alton in a becoming mixed blue tailor made; Mrs. Constantine in all black, being warmly welcomed back by friends who had not seen her; Mrs. Dawson, wearing a handsome champagne voile costume; Mrs. Ewing in a trig grey tailor made; Mrs. Rhodes, very handsome in grey with a black turban; Mrs. Robt. Mays in brown taffeta shirt waist suit and becoming chapeau; Mrs. Harwood, a decided pretty in black and white and black hat; Mrs. Irving in a pink toilette; Mrs. John Somerville, in blue serge tailor made; Mrs. Frank Somerville in dark plum colored gown and mink trimmed hat a most becoming costume; Mrs. Slocock, very sweet and attractive in a lovely shade of blue crepe de chene; Mrs. Swaisland as always a centre of attraction in fluffy yellow mull and val lace; Mrs. McEneaney, remarkably handsome in a fashionable black and white tailored gown; Mrs. Hamilton in an attractive blue foulard with large petunia hat; Mrs. Jos. Morris in a striking black and white check with handsome violet chapeau; Miss Supple was radiantly lovely in a trig white serge skirt with which net bodice over pale blue silk and a fetching blue turban; Mrs. McMahon charming in black taffeta suit and black and white hat; Mrs. McQueen in pretty embroidered brown silk and becoming hat; Miss Bowers in soft blue embroidered linen; Mrs. Cautley in a quick grey suit and turban to correspond; Mrs. Smith, looking down in a stunning grey silk suit and fashionable hat; Mrs. Scoble, looking prettily trim and sweet in a tussore silk frock over pale rose with stylish brown hat; Mrs. Sydney Woods in striped green silk, a very smart frock, and much admired; Mrs. Jack Anderson, who brought Miss Mary Grey, the bride in a fetching white serge suit with pale blue embroidered braids, and a chic flower trimmed sailor hat, a guest at pretty picture in white silk with a dashing poppy hat; Mrs. James Biggar, daintily attractive in a lovely pale blue frock, with accordion pleated skirt; Miss Whittey, very sweet and attractive in a modish white serge suit, with long feather boa and a most becoming hat laden with roses; Miss Gascoigne

also beautifully gowned in white serge, her lovely coloring splendidly set off by a smart picture hat, trimmed with pink roses and ribbon. White suits and frocks indeed quite ruled the day; Mrs. T. S. Jackson, Mrs. Barrow, Mrs. Brunton, Mrs. Duncan Smith, Mrs. Bowers, Mrs. Spratt, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Allen Fraser, and Miss McKenney all wearing frocks of the same, and looking each remarkably well. It was Mrs. Fraser's first appearance at a tea this season and everyone was more than glad to see her on one more and Mrs. Percy Hardisty also came in during the afternoon, looking very well indeed in a blue serge suit, and tailored hat.

Many good wishes and heartfelt congratulations have been finding their way to Mr. John R. McIntosh during the past few days, when the news of his engagement, and shortly approaching marriage to Miss Grace McLean of Montreal reached his friends' ears.

Mr. McIntosh is a decidedly clever young business man, with a host of friends, all of whom join in wishing him and his bride to be all the good fortune and happiness possible.

Lady Schultz who was the raison d'être of a number of pleasant social functions during her short stay in town, returned to Winnipeg at the week end. On Friday evening Mrs. McKenney gave a reception in her honor when a wide circle of friends had the great pleasure of meeting her attractive visitor who, by the way, quite charmed all who had the privilege of meeting her.

Mrs. Nightingale will receive for the first time this season on the first Tuesday in October and thereafter on her usual days, the first and third Tuesdays of the month.

Mr. Marriott, manager of the Bank of Commerce in Strathcona, is relieving Mr. Turnbull of the local branch, during the latter's absence on his holidays. Needless to add, on whatever excuse, his presence on this side of the river is always welcome, where he himself and his fine baritone voice are equally popular.

The moving season being always with us in Edmonton it is really quite a problem to keep one's friends properly located. The Attorney-General and Mrs. Cross are the latest to announce a change of residence, they having secured the Bowen house on the corner of Eighth street and Hardy street, where they intend moving immediately. The house is one of the finest and most commodious in the city, while the grounds are exceptionally beautiful. For all that, one will miss them from their old corner, on Seventh and Hardy street, where they have lived ever since their marriage, and where many a pleasant evening has been spent by an exceptionally wide circle of friends. I believe Mr. Justice Scott has leased the house for a year and will move in shortly.

Mr. Justice Harvey is also getting settled for the winter, having secured the Pittsford residence on Eighth street.

Indeed there are many moves on the social chess board, that are still in course of making, but these you must hear of again.

Mrs. James Smith of Updown, who has been absent on a delightful, long holiday trip, has returned to the city, bringing as her guest her friend Mrs. Penny.

Miss Mary Grey of Ottawa, a decidedly pretty girl, is visiting Mrs. Jack Anderson of Sixth street.

Early last week Mr. and Mrs. Webster arrived from a trip to England, where they have been visiting their daughter, Miss Ethel Webster, who has been there for nearly a year studying with the intention of becoming an operatic singer. A little bird has whispered many flattering things about this talented girl, who, it is confided, is making splendid progress and has chosen to devote herself to the study of the voice.

No one who knows her and has heard her sing doubts that she has a very fine future in store, which it is necessary to add, her hosts of friends in Edmonton hope she may soon realize.

Mrs. Robert Mays and Miss Dorothy Somerville have gone out to Cooking Lake on a two weeks' visit to Mrs. Herring Cooper.

Mrs. Ewing returned at the week end from an extended visit in London and is looking wonderfully well, after her dose of mountain air.

Mrs. Cross and Mrs. Swaisland will be the hostesses at the Golf Tea on Saturday.

Mrs. S. S. Taylor of Nelson was the raison d'être of a jolly little party at the Five O'Clock home with Mrs. Day on Saturday, when a congenial number of friends had a cosy social hour and enjoyed a delicious cup of tea.

Mrs. Frederick Bowers of Fifth street will receive during the season on the first and third Mondays.

At present she has as her guest her husband's sister, Miss Bowers of England, who has been a welcome guest at all the recent social functions.

Mrs. Williamson Taylor entertained at the tea hour on Monday in her apartments in the Norwood Block where a number of the old-timers, and a sprinkling of the new, alike enjoyed the ever grateful afternoon cup of tea, with an accompanying feast of good things. Among those present were: Mrs. Hardisty, Mrs. John Ross, Mrs. Taylor, of Nelson, Mrs. Douglas McLean, Mrs. Harrison Young, Mrs. York, Mrs. John Somerville, Mrs. Second, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Jackson, and Mrs. Fiddell.

Mrs. Sydney Woods was the hostess of a charming little luncheon of eight covers on Tuesday, when her artistic friends transformed the lovely old polished walnut table into a fairyland; green tulips, great golden bowls of ribbon, feathery fern, and yellow poppies aiding in the illusion.

Those who had the honor of being invited to the jolly affair were: Mrs. Jack Anderson, Miss Mary Grey, Miss Perry, Miss Rhodes, Miss Eleanor Taylor, Miss Beck, and Miss Brown.

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Mrs. A. C. Rutherford announces that she will not receive until the fourth Friday in October.

Mrs. H. W. Riley held her first reception since her marriage on Thursday afternoon at her new home on Eighth street at which she received as many friends as her cosy room could well accommodate. All afternoon a steady stream of callers kept the pretty bride more than busy making their acquaintance, and at seven o'clock the last few strangers were just leaving, so charming and informal were all the arrangements of the afternoon.

The bride, who was wearing her robe des noces, a lovely lace over dress mounted on shimmering white silk, and handsome pearl ornaments, looked very well indeed, as she performed her duties as hostess, and the cheery living room with its bright grate fire, fragrant red and white roses and dainty appointments formed a pretty setting for the animated scene. Mrs. Ewing was an attentive assistant hostess.

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Hutton—At Lacombe on Saturday Sept. 7, to Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hutton, a son.

Gilbert—At Lacombe, on Sunday, Sept. 8, to Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Gilbert, a son.

Nichol—In Fort Saskatchewan, on Sunday, Sept. 15th, to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Nichol, a son.

Fulton—At Colchester, Alta., on Friday, Sept. 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Fulton, a daughter.

Vogel—At Strathcona, on Sept. 17, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Vogel, a daughter.

MARRIED.

Berg—Bomerlan—At the Reform Church, Beaver Hills, on Tuesday, September 17th, by Rev. A. Henneman, Mr. Rudolph Berg, to Miss Lizzie Bomerlan.

Mackay—Montgomery—In the parlors of the Yale Hotel, Calgary, by Rev. A. W. Hogg of Wetaskiwin, Dr. A. W. Mackay of Wetaskiwin to Sadie, youngest daughter of the late Dr. Montgomery, Summerside, P.E.I.

DIED.

Duggan—At Camrose, on Thursday, Sept. 12, Mrs. C. J. Duggan, aged 25 years 8 months.

Lapoint—At Strathcona on Sept. 18th Mrs. Victoria Lapoint, aged 43 years.

Carl—At Strathcona, on Tuesday, Sept. 17th, Mrs. Mattie B. Carl, wife of Mr. Ralph M. Carl, aged 37 years.

McClellan—At Strathcona on Monday, Sept. 23rd, Evalene M. L. McClellan, beloved wife of William C. McClellan, late of Belfast, Ireland.

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The editor of the Red Deer Advocate, Mr. F. W. Galbraith, was formerly the editor of the Guelph Mercury and when he sets out to discuss the question of municipal street railway ownership, he speaks from first-hand knowledge. Guelph, a city with a smaller population even at the present time than Edmonton has and more compactly built and accordingly less in need of a street railway, has made its municipal line pay. Mr. Galbraith writes in the Advocate as follows:

"Guelph and St. Thomas, two of Ontario's smaller cities, where the street railway failed under private ownership, have now successful concerns under municipal operation by commission. They have the lowest rates in Ontario—3c for regular travel; the Guelph people were offered \$125,000 cash last year for a road which cost them \$1000, and the people smiled at the idea of accepting such an offer, the Ontario Railway Commission declared that the Guelph municipal street railway had the smoothest road-bed and best equipment of any road in the province, and the wages of the men have been raised three times since the city took hold, twice voluntarily. The Advocate's advice to the people of Edmonton regarding Mr. Cronin's offer is—don't look at it."

The secret of Guelph's success is not hard to discover. It has placed its street railway under the control of sound business men, of whom the chairman is Mr. J. W. Lyon. They have conducted it on business principles and the people have reaped the benefit. Why should not Edmonton do what Guelph has done? Can anyone deny that a franchise in a city, which has the prospects of the Alberta capital, is worth many times that in Guelph?

As was pointed out on this page some time ago, it is foolish to talk about this and that theory in connection with a question such as the people of Edmonton are face to face with. No theory ever made either a municipal or private business venture a success. Municipal ownership of street car lines will pay, if qualified men are placed in control of the system and are allowed to conduct it in the interests of the ratepayers just as they would if they were conducting it for a body of shareholders.

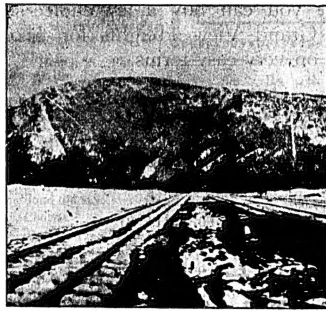
The present movement to sell the Edmonton franchise is doing the city no good. Newspapers throughout the country are taking it to mean that the city is on the verge of bankruptcy. For instance the Calgary News throws this heading over a despatch from Edmonton. "Want to Sell Railway. Edmonton in a bad plight owing to lack of money." The inference is quite incorrect. The city has just made an advantageous sale of over half a million dollars worth of debentures, its credit is excellent and the idea that it has gone on the rocks is erroneous to the last degree. It can complete its own street railway next year, if it so desires, without a doubt, and there is no good reason whatever, why it should be diverted from its purpose.

But it is not at all strange that outsiders should come to the conclusion that Edmonton is "up against it." Here was a body of citizens, who a year ago were practically unanimously in favor of municipal ownership of the street car lines. So determined were they to retain the control themselves that they were prepared to fight the old Trelhewy Co., which claimed that it still had a franchise, to the last ditch. Now they take up with the next promoter to come along. They must be in a pretty bad way, the observer argues, to make such a change of base in so short a time.

In the same connection, note an



Along the Crow's Nest Line



The Spokane Flyer at the Height of Land



Coleman

These two views, taken in the course of a recent trip to Cranbrook, are of interest for several reasons. The first shows the fastest train in Western Canada, the Spokane Flyer, just at the point where it leaves Alberta and enters British Columbia. The enterprise of the C.P.R. in providing this accommodation between Spokane and St. Paul has been the means of introducing the Canadian West to many busy citizens of the Republic, who otherwise would never have become acquainted with it.

The second view is that of the busy mining and manufacturing town of Coleman, with Crow's Nest Mountain, one of the most beautiful as well as one of the most beautiful

subtle peaks in the Rockies, in the background.

At the risk of offending some of those who do not believe in telling the truth about the weather of the province, it may be stated that these pictures were taken on Sept. 13th after the extraordinary snowstorm which fell throughout the south of the province two days before. South of Lacombe, about half way between Calgary and Edmonton, the country was completely covered with the "beautiful," which, however, did not make its appearance north of that town. It was a freak of the weather, which has not occurred, old-timers in the south tell us, since 1884. It caused a certain amount of temporary gloom but the reports show that it did practically no damage at all. Southern Alberta's

wheat crop beats all records and has done more than anything else to save the situation throughout the west.

The Saturday News refers to these facts with less reserve on account of the example shown by one of the leading journals in the district affected, the Frank Paper, which in its succeeding issue had the following to say regarding the strange occurrence:

"As long as this generation shall live we will be able to tell the charming story of snow and we won't have to enlarge on the facts to tell the biggest story if the other fellow sticks closely to the truth. The Frank Paper does not believe there is a record in existence of so heavy a fall of snow in the first half of September ever having occurred before. Owing to the tem-

perature being so high a great part of the snow that fell melted and ran away and there was no means of determining just how much fell but as there was a good twenty inches on the level when the storm ceased it is probable that the total fall was somewhere between two and a half and three feet. Surely nothing of the kind was ever heard of before for the time of year. Hereafter when anyone starts telling you a story of a snow storm, just refer him to September 10th, 11th, and 12th, 1907, and tell just what you saw and you will have him skinned."

But with the California like weather the province has been enjoying for the past two weeks, most of the people in the south have doubtless even now forgotten the unusual experience of three weeks ago.

Old Haman built a gallows once full fifty cubits high. On which he planned to hang a chap whose name was Mordecai! But something busted up the scheme; the King played fast and loose.

And when the hanging up was done 'twas Haman in the noose.

These facts we merely mention here for Mr. Gurney's aid. He wants a tariff just as high as Haman's gallows made, If history repeats itself, say, wouldn't it be sad Should Mr. Gurney get what put poor Haman to the bad?

The Liberals of Ontario have chosen as their leader in provincial politics a man of acute intellect and restless energy, Hon. A. G. MacKay of Owen Sound, who for a few months preceding the fall of the Ross administration held the portfolio of Crown Lands. It is in most cases a source of satisfaction to have a clever man attain a position in keeping with his ability and Mr. MacKay should have ahead of him a very bright career, at all stages of which he may be depended upon to make it interesting for his opponents.

As The Saturday News goes to press, Mr. Borden is speaking in Southern Alberta, coming north the first of the week and speaking in Red Deer on Monday. Wetaskiwin on Tuesday, Edmonton on Wednesday, and Vermilion on Thursday. As the man occupying the second most distinguished position in the public life of the country, as well as on account of his own character and ability, he is worthy of a hearty reception and an attentive hearing. He is now entering upon the last stages of the most ambitious tour ever undertaken by a Canadian politician, and with the opinions which he is expressing on the various problems before the Dominion, newspaper readers are for the most part familiar. But it is always much more satisfactory to come face to face with a man who is playing a big part in our affairs and it is cer-

tain that men and women of both parties will be glad to avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing the Conservative leader and the lieutenants who are accompanying him through the West.

The Toronto Globe has taken up the cudgels on behalf of John Houston in his fight with the G.T.P. for the privilege of publishing his newspaper in Prince Rupert. "The action of the railway," says the Globe, "is calculated to create the impression that they cannot stand Editor Houston's criticism, and that they are afraid to let him get the public ear. It would seem the part of wisdom for the railway people to give him a pass over their roads and let him build a lean-to against the freight shed for his office and plant. That company should stand willing that its enemy should write a book. Let it not be said that the city of Prince Rupert, its stores, factories and newspapers are subject to the will or caprice of any corporation."

It is reported that the railway and Mr. Houston came to terms during Mr. Hays' recent visit to Prince Rupert. But it is hard to understand why the editor's case should have come into national prominence or why a paper like the Globe should espouse his cause. In trying to establish his paper, he is not serving any great public interest, but simply trying to get in on the ground floor with a business venture. There are plenty of others, engaged in every variety of commercial pursuits, who would be glad to get established at Prince Rupert before the rush begins. But the railway company has wisely decided that they must wait till it completes arrangements in regard to laying out the town. The company wants to make Prince Rupert a beautiful and substantial city and it is proceeding on the theory that the only way to do this is to make certain preparations for the reception of a large population before it allows people to come in and build. Is its object a mean or tyrannical one? Would the Globe prefer the horrible conditions which

have existed in many western towns that have grown up in a night without any preparations being made for the influx of population to those which the G.T.P., proposes in Prince Rupert, where the first arrivals will find a good water supply, sewerage, properly laid out streets, etc., awaiting them? Was Cobalt, as it was in the first summer after it gained a place on the map, the Globe's ideal? This man Houston is very far from deserving sympathy. He is merely trying to gain privileges denied to others. So long as the railway gives everyone an equal chance, its policy is one which cannot be too highly commended.

The Alberta and Eastern British Columbia Press Association at its recent meeting in Cranbrook B.C., honored the Hearst of Southern Alberta, Mr. D. H. Elton, proprietor of three good papers in three good towns, Carleton, Magrath, and Raymond, by electing him to the Presidency. The editor is one of the brightest and brainiest young men in the province. The fact that he is a prominent Mormon may surprise and interest some of the outsiders, who have shown signs of excitement over the presence of so large a number of former citizens of Utah in Alberta. But it never crossed the minds of the publishers in making their choice. Mr. Elton is a first class newspaper man, a public-spirited citizen and a prince of good fellows and that was enough. In a big country like this, we have too much to do, too many large problems to solve, too much need for the best men in all positions of public responsibility, to stop to ask what a man's religious belief is.

The Press Association promises to become a very powerful and useful body. While of value in allowing an exchange of ideas on questions affecting the business of publishing, it is bound to exert an influence on public affairs generally. This year the delegates had the good fortune to meet in one of the best towns in British Columbia, Cranbrook, the home of Mr. F. E. Simpson, the retiring president. The open-hearted welcome accorded them by the citizens will not soon be forgotten.

There could be no doubt in the minds of the visitors as to what has brought Cranbrook to the front and made it the flourishing centre that it is. It has splendid natural resources close at hand, the lumbering, mining and fruit raising industries having attained large proportions, while as a C.P.R. terminal point, many railway men make their home there. But it is its body of enterprising citizens that constitutes its best asset. "Knock and it shall be opened unto you. But knock Cranbrook and we'll knock the stuff" out of you" is their motto. In the work of building up the town, no important agency has been the possession of one of the best, if not the best, local weekly newspapers in the whole of Western Canada, the Herald, owned and edited by Mr. Simpson.

The Press Association meets next year in Nelson B.C., but in 1909 there is every likelihood that the gathering will be brought to the northern part of Alberta. One of the most pleasant features in connection with it has always been the short holiday trip which followed. This year the members went by way of the Arrow Lakes up to Revelstoke and back to Calgary by the C.P.R. main line. In 1908, in that fascinating country a variation of this may be obtained without difficulty. In 1909 the probability is that a trip by rail to the Yellowstone Park from Edmonton or one to Lesser Slave Lake or Grand Rapids via rail and water will be available.

The appointment of Mr. J. C. F. Brown K.C. as city solicitor will prove a popular one. Mr. Brown is one of the city's oldest and most experienced practitioners and brings to the post an intimate acquaintance with the problems with which he will have to deal.

After refusing invitations from the Canadian Clubs in Montreal and Toronto, Rudyard Kipling was prevailed upon to speak before that body in Winnipeg. The plans of the poet laureate of the Empire seem to be somewhat indefinite but it is not likely that he will leave Edmonton out of his itinerary, in which case it is sincerely to be hoped that he will honor the local club.

The Telegram's information is not correct in regard to Edmonton's

PERSONALIA

The Bishop of London when in Eastern Canada visited himself one day on the golf links, which led a correspondent to ask the Toronto News what the athletic pastimes of Canadian bishops were. The editor's answer was:

Answer: The information is not available in all cases but so far as the missionary bishops are concerned, the following are given:
Bishop Du Vernet, of Caledonia, B.C., sailing in leaky skiffs.
Bishop Stringer, of Selkirk, Yukon and Bishop Holmes, of Mooseone Hudson Bay, snowshoeing.
Bishop Newnam, of Saskatchewan, buck-board driving.
Bishop Lefthoove, of Keweenaw, canoeing and tramping, also fighting black flies.
Bishop Reeve, late of Athabasca, flat-boating and driving a dog team.

Rudyard Kipling is in Eastern Canada at present and will spend the month of October. It is understood that he will visit the west, in which case it is to be hoped that the people of Alberta will have the opportunity of seeing and hearing the distinguished bard of the Empire. Judging from the experience of the Canadian Clubs of Montreal and Toronto, whose invitations he refused, there is no more possibility that these organizations in the west will have the privilege of entertaining him.

In connection with Mr. Kipling's visit, it is of interest to note that a prominent citizen of Edmonton, Dr. Braithwaite, was an school-fellow of his. Together they attended Westward Ho! the United Service College in Devonshire. Another schoolmate has just unearthed a poem written by Kipling, while at school, believed to be his first effusion. As a boy he began his worship of Browning, whom he later declared was his literary hero. This first poem he headed "By R—t B—g," and called it "The Jam-pot. Here are the lines:

"The Jam-pot—tender thought,
I grabbed it; so did you.
"What wonder, while we fought
Together, that it flew
In shivers," you retort.

You should have loosed your hold
One moment; checked your fist.
But it was—too bold
You grabbed it—and you missed.
(More curiously, you were sold).

"But neither of us shared
The dainty—that's your plea?
I answer—let me see—
How have your trousers fared?"

But recently the United Service College has just moved to the Royal borough of Windsor, and has been amalgamated with the ancient school of St. Mark's, the neighbor and diminutive edition of Eton, basking in the sunshine of Windsor Castle.

Mr. W. Steffanson, the young Icelandic scientist, who left Edmonton for the Arctic a year ago last spring to join the Anglo-American expedition, is now out at the Pacific coast, having brought word down from the north of the safety of the party, which it was thought had met with disaster.

Bedford commenced to take water at a point about 200 miles northwest of Herschel Island, Mikkelsen and Leffingwell were out on an expedition, which it was thought would result in the discovery of a large area of land, in what is marked as the Beaufort Sea. The crew managed to get the ship ashore at the Flaxman Island, before the ship broke up. Her Mikkelsen found them. Steffanson, who had spent all the winter living among the Eskimos along the Arctic coast east of Mackenzie River, arrived at Flaxman a short time after the boat broke up. He was sent back to Mackenzie River for the Edmonton mail of November which "reached Mackenzie in the spring, and with which he returned to the party in May. During the winter he lived among the Eskimos, living on raw fish, whale, porpoise, etc.

He speaks highly of this tribe, who are practically communists, the richer children living as well as poorer children, all being cared for by the tribe. There is no quarrelling, and domestic life is ideal. This clothing was beakskin with the hair turned in and Steffanson soon found that he preferred raw meat to cooked. When the alarming reports sent outside of the fate of the expedition reached the explorers it was decided to do a sally Steffanson outside to correct the false impressions. Journeying up the Mackenzie, he crossed the divide to the head waters of the streams which feed the Yukon, and after building a raft, floated down over 800 miles till he reached Fort Yukon in 27 days. He travelled light and fast, wearing a parka and a pair of his trail and unmanageable caribou in the rapids, but he escaped without harm. He will go east for the winter, returning north in the spring.

The Calgary Herald's reputation as a political prophet should advance several notches from the following, which it reproduced the other day from its file of a quarter of a century ago: "F. W. G. Haultain, barrister, of Peterboro, arrived in

town last Wednesday en route to Fort Macleod, where he will enter into partnership with Mr. McCard. Mr. Haultain is a rising young man, and we feel sure he will make his mark in his new home."

Hon. Maurice Gifford, a director of the British Columbia Electric Railway, passed through Winnipeg last week on his way to the coast. He is a son of the late Lord Gifford, a Chief Justice of Common Pleas in England, and is an old time Western Canadian settler, having farmed and ranched in the early eighties in the Qu'Appelle Valley. In the Saskatchewan rebellion of 1885 he saw active service in the staff of General Middleton with Lord Meleud, now Earl of Minto. Mr. Gifford lost an arm in an action in the Matabele war in South Africa in 1896, where he was in command of Gifford's Horse. He commanded the Kimberley mounted corps in 1900 during the Boer War, and was D.A.A.G. in the intelligence corps during the latter part of the late war. Mr. Gifford was correspondent of the Daily Graphic in 1882 in Egypt.

Duncan Ross, M.P. for Yale-Carribo passed through Edmonton on his way back from the east at the first of the week.

The shifting of Alberta bank manager's continues. Mr. D. Ashley of the Union branch at Pincher Creek goes to Winnipeg, being succeeded by Mr. U. J. Hunter of Rapid City, Manitoba. Mr. A. C. Brown of the Bank of Commerce at Vermilion is going into private business. Mr. H. M. Stewart, manager at McLeod, is succeeding him. Mr. W. M. Hilborn, who has been acting manager at Vermilion, becomes manager at Innisfail.

The Calgary Herald announces that Mr. C. C. McCaul, K.C., a pioneer lawyer of that city, but lately of Dawson, will practise in future in Edmonton.

The death occurred last week of Mr. M. E. Roy, a resident of Lethbridge since 1886.

The Vegreville Observer states that Mr. F. A. Morrison of that town is a decided possibility as the Conservative candidate for Victoria. Others strongly in the running are Mr. Norman Murray, barrister, Vermilion. Mr. Pollard of Chipman and ex-Mayor McAvoy, Fort Saskatchewan.

Mr. D. W. Warner has returned from his trip to Eastern Canada and the Western States. He is most enthusiastic regarding the showing made by Alberta at the Industrial Exhibition in Toronto. It was the only western province adequately represented and none who viewed the exhibit could help being impressed by it.

The following from the last issue of the Vegreville Observer is instructive in view of the tendency on the part of some of those to whom Alberta has brought prosperity to go to the coast to live.

"Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Robertson and Baby Robertson returned last week from Vancouver, B.C., and have taken up their residence again in Vegreville. Robertson is asking the Observer man to make the necessary change in the address of his paper, said 'Make it 'Vegreville' and never change it to anything else again.' This would lead one to believe that Mr. Robertson thinks that Vegreville is plenty good enough for him and a little better than the coast."

It may be in order now to mention again that Baby Robertson enjoys the unique distinction of being the first baby born on the present territory. There have been plenty of them arrive since but Baby Robertson beat them all out."

An Edmonton man, who was recently in Vancouver, ventures the prediction that before long the majority of the former Edmontonians, now living there, will be back in the Alberta capital.

Mr. Wm. Short K.C. and Mrs. Short have returned from their Old Country trip, which was occasioned by the Russian Church case, in connection with which Mr. Short appeared before the Privy Council.

Rev. Archdeacon Gray returned from his well-earned vacation trip to the Orient on Monday and was tendered a hearty welcome in the schoolroom of All Saints the following evening. Archdeacon Carey of Kingston who has filled his pulpit during the summer and made many friends for himself left for Banff on Monday. After a short sojourn there and in Calgary he will return east.

Dr. O. F. Strong, accompanied by his sisters, left on Monday for California, where the Misses Strong will spend the winter.

Mr. A. F. Ewing and Mr. C. F. Newell have returned from Eastern Canada. The Majestic, on which they sailed from Sarnia, was in a very severe storm on Lake Superior.

Ald. S. H. Smith has been honored by his colleagues of the council, who presented him this week with a handsome silver game carving set, cut and glass service. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have just returned from their honeymoon trip to Japan.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. McDougall reached home on Saturday from Montreal, accompanied by their son James, who was taken down with a very serious attack of typhoid in that city on his return from Europe.

Mr. W. Widdes, accountant of the Union Bank, Edmonton, has been made manager at Cochrane. Mr. R. W. Bailie succeeds to his post in the Edmonton branch.

Warden Macaulay of the Alberta penitentiary has returned from a trip through the Western States.

The Frank Paper says: "F. H. Sherman and J. R. McDonald, members of the conciliation board which is to investigate the differences between the Hilester Coal company and the U.M.W.A., met in Frank last Sunday morning to endeavor to agree to the third member. They could not agree however and the government has accordingly appointed the chairman in the person of C. W. Fisher, speaker of the house in the Alberta legislature."

The Investor

THE POWER OF A BANK MANAGER.

All over the country during recent months, bank managers have been the subject of criticism. As far as the general public is concerned, it is they who grant or withhold credit. When you talk to them, you sometimes gather they are the whole institution. It is, therefore, of interest, to learn just what their power is. Mr. H. M. P. Eckhart has been writing a very timely series of articles in the Monetary Times on banking practice. In the last issue he points how far from absolute the manager's will is in regard to lending the bank's money. He may make small loans without reference to head office for permission, on his own authority. In fact, when the customer asks for an advance exceeding a certain sum, which varies with different banks, and again with different branches of the same bank, the application must be forwarded to the general manager for consideration.

When it is granted, if it is granted, the general manager requires to know all the time how the account progresses, how the conditions are lived up to, and all particulars necessary to enable him to follow the course of the account, and to overlook the branch managers' conduct of it.

Therefore, a considerable number of statements or reports dealing with the discounts are to be sent to the head office.

First of all, the general manager requires to be kept informed of the bills discounted from day to day. The statement in which these are reported may go to head office daily, tri-weekly, or once weekly, according to the size and importance of the branch. In it are supposed to be particulars of all bills discounted exceeding a certain sum, which may be fixed anywhere from \$200 up to \$500.

They are classified thus: New Loan Bills, New Trade Bills, Renewal Loans, Renewal Trade Bills, and possibly some other special class or classes, if the general manager so desires.

The statement is simply the manager's report of the paper he has counted in the period covered. The first column gives the name of the customer for whom discounted; the next gives the additional name or names, or the security pledged, and if the last, its value, then the time for which the bill runs, and lastly the amount and the rate of discount. In the margin opposite, the manager must say for what purpose the proceeds are to be used, or if a trade bill, what transaction the bill is founded upon.

In the case of renewals, more particulars are required. The bank's chief officer wants to know, in the first place, why the bill was not paid; then he generally wants to know the number of times it has been renewed prior to this, and the original amount.

Mayor H. H. Gaetz of Red Deer has returned from the east. On account of the money stringency, he was unable to dispose of the town debentures satisfactorily.

The C. W. Copp Piano Co. of Boston, Mass., has made enquiry of the secretary of the Edmonton Board of Trade regarding the establishment of a branch factory.

Mr. O. E. Talbot M.P. for Bellechasse, Quebec, who has been on a prospective trip out to the mountains, believes he has discovered very rich areas on the upper reaches of the Brazeau river, the stream that flows into the Saskatchewan about 100 miles from Edmonton. The company, which he is representing, includes large German capital. On its behalf his party staked from 25 to 30 square miles of coal bearing

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land, comprising 33 revealed seams, ranging from 4 to 20 feet in thickness. Col. Talbot and companions left Morley on May 12.

Hon. James McMullen and his son, Mr. William McMullen of Mount Forest, Ontario, the former of whom has become extensively interested in Edmonton property within the last year, were in the city during the week. The Senator proposes to erect a store and office building on his property at the corner of Rice and First. Such is the force of his example that his son, while in Edmonton, purchased the corner of Queen's Avenue, where Jackson Bros. store stands from Mr. E. Raymer for \$14,000. This is at the rate of \$500 per foot, a price which doesn't indicate any such slump in Edmonton values as some have been talking about.

On reaching Vancouver after his trip to Prince Rupert, President Hays of the G.T.P. made the following statement to the Vancouver Province:

"All of us," he continued after a pause, "were much pleased at the evidences of growth at Prince Rupert since our last visit. It seemed almost impossible to realize the wonderful transformation which has taken place in a brief twelve months, and consequently we look to see a population of several thousand people there before another year elapses."

At least that was the prediction made by nearly every person we met. The town already contains thirty or forty buildings, besides the company's boarding house. Of course, most of these are for the accommodation of our employees, as no titles of lots have yet been issued. The subdivision of the townsite has been virtually completed, and several hundred acres of it have already been cleared. No stumping has yet been done. Things will be in shape to place the lots on the market in the spring.

Nearly fifteen hundred feet of wharves have been built as well as a large freight shed, and the work will be continued with energy. People whom we met on the boat—some of them shipping men—assured us that our piers and wharves are the best along the entire coast.

"I have no announcements to make respecting the awarding of

contracts for the construction of the section of the main line between Prince Rupert and Edmonton."

His optimistic and smiling reply to a question addressed him pointedly indicated, however, that there will be "something doing" very shortly.

"We shall, however, rush the work on the steam branch from Kitimat to Hazelton, on a section of which good progress is now being made," added Mr. Hays.

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Carlyle's little pessimism that the population of the world was so many millions—mostly fools, does not seem a bit too sweeping when we note how a cheap fakir is able to make a world-wide reputation for himself. Take the case of this man Foster, who has been making weather prognostications for some years back and whom we hear everyone quoting. He lives down in Washington and for a month ahead he tells people all over the continent what kind of weather they are going to have. And men that are ordinarily intelligent swear by him. Why? Because on several occasions he has made a lucky guess. As if any fakir couldn't do that. He has hit it right sometimes. When he does, everyone exclaims "What a wonderful man!" When he doesn't, conveniently for Foster, they seem to lose sight of the fact.

On Sept. 21 he issued a forecast, which we may take as a sample. Here was part of it: "During the last days of September and the first days of October a large high altitude will develop on the continent causing a great fall in temperatures. This high altitude with its frosts is expected to nip the top growth of the cotton in the northern sections of the cotton belt. About and immediately following Sept. 21st a great high altitude will bring very cool weather to most of the continent and carry killing frosts far southward. All the features that go to make up what is commonly called weather will be radical about that time but the frosts will be the feature of greatest interest, especially to the corn and spring wheat sections."

As it has happened, for all but a part of one day during the period referred to we had beautiful autumn weather. The last two days of September and the first of October were about as warm as any we had all summer.

The absurdity of the whole thing should be apparent to any intelligent man. Our governments spend many hundreds of thousands of dollars every year for the sake of getting information regarding weather prospects a few days ahead of time. If Foster's methods had any scientific basis, would they not be employed by the weather bureaus? How, living down at Washington, off on his own bat, as it were, and without any agencies distributed about the continent, he foretells the weather for the whole of America? But the truth is that the more nerve a man has and the more wonderful claims he makes as to what he can accomplish, the more people he will find to believe him. The age of superstition is not past.

The greatest athletic event in the history of the country, the six months' go-as-you-please race, being conducted under the auspices of the Douchbort sporting club of Yorkton, Saskatchewan, promises to be brought to a sudden termination by a C.P.R. locomotive somewhere along the north shore of Lake Superior.

Rev. G. W. Kerby of Calgary is making the usual announcements from his pulpit the other Sunday, expressed the hope that they would soon be cut out. The newspapers, he stated, should be paid for publishing them. Mr. Kerby is quite right. The pulpit shouldn't be an advertising medium. It is a frightful jumble that the minister is usually called upon to read. Sometimes some queer results are obtained in the mix-up. One that I heard once ran as follows: "The funeral of the late and much-lamented sexton takes place on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Thanksgiving services will be held in this chapel on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock."

"H.D." the clever Beaver Lake correspondent of the Vegreville Observer has this in his last letter: "I was pleased to see the elevation of N. D. Beck, K.C., to the Bench. He is just the man I would have appointed myself. It is true that he is a Liberal who was once a Conservative, but the fence is such a little one to jump and it has been jumped in such good company. According to the Edmonton Journal his career is marked by peculiar features: the paper tells us that he was born in 1875, called to the bar in 1879 and has this year completed fifty years of consecutive labor. Clearly this is no common man."

RAG-TIME AIRS.
Two lovers sat upon a bench and held each others hand.

He gazed into her eyes of blue, she listened to the band:
Sweet, limpid notes of music were a-sounding through the air.
They played the works of masters old, those works beyond compare.
She heard the overture from "Toll," and then she turned away.
And to her lover by her side these words she loud did say:
Chorus.

Why don't they play them rag-time songs, then tunes we all do know?
Them classics they are playing now were dead long years ago.
Why don't they play them lively airs they play in every house?
Who cares for Vagner nowadays, for Shopen or for Strauss?
Them in assuials have had their day, they're botted to the flag.
They ought to play them lively tunes and give us lots of rag.

She sighed for Georgie Cohan's songs, she longed so much to hear.
The strains of "How'll You Pay the Rent When I'm No Longer Near?"
She fumbled at her belt and then she rearranged her hair.
She wondered if the band would play "The Bird on Nellie's Hat."
She stretched her chewing gum a while, and then she turned away.
And to her lover by her side, these words she loud did say:
Chorus.

—Detroit Free Press.

When Lord Elphinstone was in America a couple of years ago he was entertained at dinner by a family the head of which was to accompany his lordship on his hunting trip through the wilds of the Northwest. A child of about five years, named Ethel, during the dinner was big-eyed and big-eared with wonderment—in fact, completely overawed by the presence of the distinguished foreigner. Ethel heard her mother and father now and then say, "This is my lord, and my lord that," or, "Will you have some of this, my lord, or some of that?" Finally, when the mother was interested in the conversation of another guest, Ethel noticed that mother was gazing intently at a dish of relish quite out of his reach. The child thought she saw a chance to please Lord Elphinstone, and in a firm, clear voice, exclaimed: "Mamma, God wants some pickles."

An Englishman and an Irishman went to a captain of a ship bound for America and asked permission to work their passage over. The captain, who had asked the Irishman for references and let the Englishman go on without them. This made the Irishman angry, and he planned to get even. One day when they were washing off the deck the Englishman leaned far over the deck, dropped the bucket, and was just about to haul it up when a huge wave came aboard and washed him overboard. The Irishman stopped scrubbing, went over to the rail, and, seeing the Englishman had disappeared, said to the captain and cabin boy: "Perhaps you remember when I shipped aboard this vessel you asked me for references and let the Englishman come without them?" The captain said: "Yes, I remember." "Well, you've been deceived," said the Irishman, "he's gone off wid yer pall!"

The teacher of a Sunday school class in Wilkesbarre once put the following question to a new scholar: "What do you do for a living while he was with Jethro?" There was a long silence, during which the other members of the class looked on to "size up" the new comer. The latter, however, was undismayed. After due reflection he answered: "Please, ma'am, he married one of Jethro's daughters."

Not Spendthrifts but Wasteful

A few weeks ago we took occasion to comment on the practice of Eastern magnates travelling through the west in palaces and automobiles and when returning home looking wise and having themselves interviewed. From this, the people of the east were given to understand that extravagance and spendthriftness were prevalent throughout the west.

But our visitors have not all been of one mind on the subject. Mr. J. K. MacDonald of the Confederation Life Association has also been over the ground and in an interview stated that he considered the talk about extravagance "mere twaddle." Mr. MacDonald saw no more automobiles on the streets of our cities than elsewhere, would not even admit that the farmer who strove to make life bearable to his wife and family by purchasing some kind of a musical instrument was making a good investment.

In our opinion Mr. MacDonald has shown himself to be a man of larger understanding and broader sympathies than most of those who have had themselves interviewed on the subject of conditions in the west. But even Mr. MacDonald could not avoid the practice of "giving the

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farmers fits." He says, "When a man buys a blinder or a drill in this country he does not trouble to put it away for the winter, but leaves it on the spot where he finished until he requires it the following spring. This is waste."

We venture the assertion that we are "gotten next" to the practice of more farmers in Alberta than Mr. MacDonald and do not hesitate to say that the instances in which his statement could be applied literally are very few. His reasoning seems to be that a settler should not buy any machinery until he has a house to put it in, which reminds me of the fond mother who cautioned her children not to go in the water till after they had learned to swim. Mr. MacDonald did not consider what would happen were his advice followed in this matter; either there would be no implements sold and no crops sown and harvested or the price of machinery would go up to \$100 per M. But, we have been told by wise men that a few poles and four or five loads of straw will make a good shelter for farm machinery. We deny that. A roof of that kind will let in rain enough to wet a machine but it won't let in enough sunshine to dry it and an honest farmer knows it is not so much getting wet that rusts an implement as failing to get dry, and we maintain that no shelter is better than a pole shed for farm machinery. We would not wish to be understood as saying we are opposed to housing our implements, for as soon as we were able to do so, we provided shelter from rain and sun for all our vehicles and implements but we deny that we were either wasteful or negligent prior to the time of erecting shed buildings.

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The difference lies in a difference of climate which Mr. MacDonald did not take into consideration. The farmers of Ontario would be wasteful were they to do as many of us are forced to do and as many of them did forty years ago; but the farmers of Alberta may or may not be wasteful and negligent because they fail to follow the practice of Ontario. We may be ever so wise at home, but we are all fools abroad.

The attitude of H. L. Watt, of the Canada Life Assurance Co., towards municipal ownership is typical of the attitude of eastern capitalists. He would have the municipalities devote their energies to paving and street cleaning and other unproductive undertakings, leaving severely alone electric lighting, telephones and other productive enterprises. Mr. Watt doubtless speaks sincerely, from the capitalistic point of view, but he will have some difficulty in convincing the west of the wisdom of his utterance from any other standpoint than that.

Had Mr. Watt taken the trouble to investigate the working of Regina's municipally owned electric light plant, he would have learned how the question of municipal ownership works out under proper administration from the ratepayer's viewpoint. He would have learned that the people of Regina pay today 10 per cent less for their electric light under municipal ownership than they did four years ago under private ownership; that they get their city lighted practically free of expense and are able to show a balance on the right side at the end of the year.

Mr. Watt's kindly suggestion that the people of the west should take the shell and leave the kernel for the

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eastern money magnates will, we think, fall on deaf ears.

The above editorial published first in the Regina Leader and copied by the Edmonton Bulletin is incorporated in the fourth column of the News because besides being an excellent argument in favor of municipal ownership of electric light and telephone systems it is good argument in favor of a government owned and operated packing plant as well. The farmers are tired of getting the shell and giving the kernel to the other fellow.

The Liberals of Fort Saskatchewan held an enthusiastic meeting last Saturday night when addresses were delivered by Hon. C. W. Cross, Duncan Marshall, J.R. Boyle M.P. and J. A. Walker M.P.P. The officers chosen were: Hon. president, Hon. Frank Oliver; Hon. vice president, E. A. Walker, M.P.P.; President, W. A. D. Lees; vice president, J. Libbey; Secretary treasurer, G. O. Baetz; Executive committee, John Paul, D. J. Simons, W. M. Corlett, G. T. Montgomery, J. Graham, J. McCartney, J. Sexaner, A. Dubuc, A. Shackleton, G. W. Davis, R. Reid E. Simmonds, D. Cranston, W. Burnett, W. Hamby.

Rev. W. F. Gold has resigned the pastorate of Vegreville Presbyterian church.

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IN THE ATHLETIC WORLD



One of the victims of the duck shooting tragedy at Okotoks last week, when two of the town's most prominent young men were drowned, was Mr. P. G. Connell, one of the best cricketers in Southern Alberta, who made some first class scores for Okotoks during the present season, and who was also a horseman of wide reputation.

The English cricket team for Australia which will soon pass through Alberta is composed of the following:
A. O. Jones (captain) Notts.
R. A. Young, Cambridge university and Sussex.
K. L. Hutchings, Surrey.
F. L. Fane, Essex.
J. B. Hobbs, Surrey.
E. C. Hooper, Surrey.
L. C. Braund, Somerset.
F. Hardstaff, Notts.
W. R. Rhodes, Yorkshire.
S. Barnes, Staffordshire.
J. Humphries, Derbyshire.
C. Blythe, Kent.
A. Fielder, Kent.

Fred Marshall, one of the most enthusiastic amateur athletes in Edmonton, who has been accountant at the Hudson's Bay office for three years past, has been transferred to Battleford.

Calgary captured the lacrosse championship with comparative ease, defeating Lethbridge in home and home games by 3-1 and 3-0. The Toronto Tecumsehs, who are out at the coast, at present, may stop over in Calgary on the way back to a try



THREE INTERESTED SPECTATORS

A snapshot taken at a critical stage in a recent Edmonton-Strathcona cricket match. Seated are Captain Richardson of the Edmonton team, and Mr. McIntyre, father-in-law of Mr. A. Scott, of the Northern Bank, Edmonton, while standing is Mr. R. A. Jacobson, of Red Deer, one of the keenest cricket enthusiasts in Alberta and president of the Red Deer club. Mr. Jacobson last year presented a handsome cup for competition.

conclusions with the Alberta champions. The game has taken a good hold in the Southern city and the club's supporters are sanguine as to the future.

The Strathcona hockeyists have re-organized with the following officers: Patron, Hon. A. C. Rutherford; Hon. Pres., Dr. McIntyre, M.P.; President, G. W. Marriott; vice-pres., Rev. W. R. George; second vice-pres., S. Somersall; sec. treas., H. O. Ritchie. The executive committee will consist of the president, vice-president, second vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and A. Garbe, A. Kent, W. McKernan, C. Martin and E. Campbell. Some first class new material is said to be available and the boys from the other side of the river expect to hold their own with all comers.

Is hockey on the banks of the Saskatchewan to consist, as in other years, merely of games between Edmonton and Strathcona? How long will the public be satisfied with this sort of thing? Can something not be done towards the organization of a provincial league? It would help the game in Alberta as nothing else could.

Lloyd Fleming carried off the Mills gold medal in the championship school games at Strathcona for the second year. Willie Fowler won the junior championship and the Sheppard medal.

In the late Mr. T. C. Patteson, postmaster of Toronto for many years, who died last week, Canada has lost one of its true lovers of sport for its own sake. He was an old international cricket captain and never lost his enthusiasm for the game. He was passionately devoted to all animals and was the founder and for some years president of the Ontario Jockey Club.

About half dozen years ago, the writer of this column used to buy his smoking supplies from a slip of a boy, who acted as a cigar shop clerk

in an Ontario town. One day he disappeared and the news went round that he was a stable boy at a certain race track. After a while he got a chance to show what he could do as a rider. To-day he is one of the world's famous jockeys. His name is Alex. Cormack, and for the last two years he has been riding for the wealthiest horse-owners in France. Now the announcement comes that he is returning to his native town, Woodstock, Ontario, and has purchased one of the finest country estates near that place, "Northeote," till a short while ago the home of the well-known Toronto capitalist, Mr. S. H. Jones. Here, it is supposed, he will lead the life of a country gentleman and give himself up, for the most part, to the raising of fine horses. And the best of it all is that Cormack is the kind of a fellow that one wants to see get on in the world, modest and likeable, a good sport in a wider sense than his mere success on the turf implies.

The Edmonton hockey team has been re-organized under the best of auspices with the following officers: Hon. President, R. A. Robertson; President, J. A. McKinnon; vice-president, A. J. Kemp; secretary, H. Deaton; treasurer, R. Kerr; executive, A. M. Stewart, W. S. Ibbotson, J. I. Mills, W. Harris, E. E. Chauvin, W. C. Pratt, W. Wickett, W. G. Ibbotson. The club starts out with a balance in the treasury, as compared with a debt of \$400 at the first of last season, and the game should flourish as never before.

I am in receipt of the following from Lae Ste Anne: "I should esteem it a favor if you would publish in the athletic columns of your paper, a challenge from the Lae Ste Anne Football Club to any of the association football clubs in Edmonton."

It will be remembered that two years ago this club carried all before it in Northern Alberta and even played the town of Edmonton itself to a draw on Edmonton ground.

Since then the club has been materially strengthened, several members from well known English and Irish professional clubs have joined and we feel confident that we could give a good account of ourselves

should we be called upon to do so. Should any secretary feel disposed to consider our challenge we should be glad to hear as soon as possible from him. All communications should be addressed to Douglas M. Bourke.

The greatest race for a baseball championship in the history of the game is that taking place in the American League, which closes this week. Detroit practically cinched the flag on Wednesday by a double defeat of Washington, its principal rival, Philadelphia, going down before Cleveland on the same day. Chicago is a close third with Cleveland almost alongside. The people of the city of the straits are said to be baseball mad. No wonder. They have supported their team magnificently for several years back and this is but the realization of long deferred hopes. There should be a great series for the World's Championship with the Chicago Nationals.

COVER POINT.

Charles Kurtz, a boy twelve years old, sentenced from Regina about where case there has been considerable discussion, it being urged that a reformatory should be established, for the benefit of youths of his ten der years, were missing, or four hours last week. Eventually he was discovered hiding under a board he had torn up in the flooring.

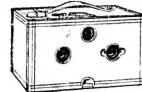
A large congregation waited for Mr. Vernon Harford's organ recital after the evening service in All Saints' Church last Sunday.

The Western Timber and Mines Company proposes to purchase a tug to ply between the city and its property up the river.

Mr. F. L. O'Conley has retired from the Edmonton Real Estate Co.

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While all newspapers published in Canada are listed in the directory and the circulation is given which each claims or is generally supposed to possess, a special roll of honor is presented of those which swear to their circulation. On this the leading journals of all the other provinces appear, such as the Toronto Globe, the Winnipeg Free Press etc.

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"All the women of the Sahara marry young," says Frank G. Carpenter in the Chicago Record Herald. "A girl is often betrothed at 8 or 9, she is married at 12 or 13, and is an old woman at 20. At 10 she begins to primp and look at the men, and something is supposed to be wrong with her if she is not married at 17 or 18. As to the age of the husband, that matters not. He may be 16 or 60, and he may have several wives. The marriage is usually arranged by a female match-maker, employed by the groom, who is supposed to find out all the details as to the character and wealth of the bride. She goes with her to the bath and investigates her beauty; she makes such enquiries at home about her cooking and house keeping ability as enables her to furnish a full description. The groom is supposed to pay a certain sum for the bride, and she is expected to bring him a small fortune in jewelry and household effects. Preparatory to the wedding the bride is put through a course of training. She is bathed and greased again and again, and her skin of coated with powder. On the wedding day she is wrapped up in so many veils that she looks more like a bundle than a woman, and in this shape she is carried on a camel or donkey to the home of the groom. The first home of the desert bride is with her husband's family; but only when she is his first wife. If he has other wives she goes to the common tent, and there takes her place as a concubine. She holds this position for a year or so, but after that comes down to everyday life and takes her share of the work. She aids in the cooking, in gathering fuel, and in weaving the cloth for tents and for family clothing."



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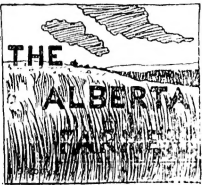
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The Saturday News is the official organ of the Alberta Farmers' Association, but the latter is only responsible for the views which are expressed in this department of the paper. While the publishers are thoroughly in sympathy with the objects of the A.F.A., it is manifestly unfair to ascribe opinions which are expressed in other parts of the paper, dealing for the most part with matters which have no direct connection with agriculture and which would reasonably be expected to give rise to controversy, either to the officers or to the members of the Association.

OBJECTS OF THE A. F. A.

(Extract from the constitution of the Alberta Farmers' Association.)
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Edmonton -	15.00	8.50	12.00
Strathcona -			
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Vegreville -			
Vermilion -	14.40	8.16	11.52
Lloydminster -			
Morrisville -			
Stoney Plain -	15.60	8.84	12.48
Via C.P.R.			
Edmonton -			
Strathcona -			
Wetaskiwin -	15.00	8.5	12.00
Red Deer -			
Drumheller -			
Calgary -	14.4	8.5	12.00
Okotoks -	15.00	8.84	12.48
Medicine Hat -	14.4	8.5	12.00
Pinehear Creek -	15.00	8.84	12.48
Lethbridge -	13.8	8.16	11.52
Raymond -	17.4	10.2	14.4
Cardston -	18.00	10.54	14.88
Clareholm -	15.00	8.84	12.48
High River -	15.00	8.84	12.48
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Compensations of the Season.

The dampness of the season is not without its compensations. In Alberta where often crops are short and grass dry for need of rain they are reaping a large harvest and cattle were never seen to die of drought.

Further east one of the chief causes of fear is that the grain will ripen too fast for the want of a few showers. This year the grain has not been lacking. In Manitoba the rains of late July and August saved most of the crop on the southern side of the province from a total failure, and put in the fields a crop of from ten to fifteen bushels to the acre. On the ranches the cattle needed just such a season as we have been having. There were a lot of depleted vitality to be regained and the rains kept the grass green and abundant, long after it usually has turned brown, yet not so soft that stock would not ripen up. The range cattle have made up more than could have been expected of the weight, numbers and vitality that they lost last winter, and the dairy farmers of the foothills province have benefited by the persistent springing of new grass. This condition prevails all over the stock raising country north and south and already the cattle trade is beginning to feel an easy tone. People are heard to remark that there will be cheap beef to make up for dear wheat and while the numbers of cattle that will come off our Canadian ranges is fully fifty per cent, short of what it was in 1906, still the ranges and feed belts to the south are turning off large consignments.

But while the season illustrates the law of compensation, it also emphasizes the wisdom of diversity in farming. The man who has been less worried about the drought first, the rain next, and the frost last, ruining his crops, is the man who is not a specialist in any one line. Land that is given a chance to do several of the things it is capable of doing, and also permitted to do these things in turn will give a better account of itself than if it is kept doing one thing under all the conditions of climate, and this not forgetting the greater amount of work involved in so handling land.—Farmer's Advocate.

When is Grain Frozen

To the Lloydminster Times, Mr. Armand Hartley makes a contribution on a subject, which will be of as much interest to the townsman, who has in the past few weeks been particularly anxious to secure agricultural information, as to the farmer himself. Mr. Hartley writes: "Owing to a discussion that I listened to a few days ago, as to whether or not the grain of the district has or has not been injured by frost up to the present date, and as the statement was made by one of the parties that it was the general opinion of farmers that the grain, especially the wheat, had been injured, I thought it wise to give editorial permission for space to briefly state my observations, experiences, and view on this matter which is of vast importance at the present time to a large proportion of the people of this district. I have been in Canada seventeen years, and in the earlier years of that period I had opportunities for observing the effect of frost on standing grain, to hear the matter much discussed, and to form an opinion on the question of the number of degrees of frost required to injure oats or wheat.

This was a vital question at that time with Manitoba farmers, and their conclusions are surely of value in helping a new community to decide on such a matter. I understand that certain farmers have squeezed by hand certain heads of wheat, and because water squirted out they have concluded that it has been damaged by frost. Not only, in my opinion, is this conclusion wrong, but the evidence is conclusive the other way. The fact that the grain retains the water several days after the supposed injury, is clear proof that the grain is not damaged. When damaged by frost the whole stalk will turn white, after one or two days hot sun, and the grain will shrivel up. Therefore, if the grain has not shrivelled or still contains water, the frost has not injured it. It is still immature, but still contains the principle of growth.

Four degrees of frost are required to injure wheat, and oats do not suffer unless several degrees more are felt. Wheat has not suffered from frost unless vegetables—say potatoes—are frozen black. The fact that water squirts out of

a head of wheat, however, indicates that the wet weather has delayed maturity, and the prospect for the grain maturing now, without being frozen, is not bright. Twelve years ago, in Manitoba, farmers always cut grain green or as soon as the straw was white up to the first joint. The grain was then put into round shocks, and capped. Some of the finest wheat I have ever seen was just green, and filled in the stock.

EDMONTON MARKETS

On the local markets the receipts are very light, and prices are ruling higher for wheat and oats. Oats are selling on market square at 45 to 60c per bushel.

Elevator prices.

No. 1 Northern wheat, 85c bus; No. 2, Nor. wheat, 82c per bushel; No. 3, Nor. wheat, 78c per bushel; lower grades, 60c to 75c per bushel; No. 1 White Oats, 40c per bushel; No. 2 white oats, 38c per bushel; No. 3, white oats, 35c per bushel; Feed barley, 35c per bus; malting barley, 55c per bushel; No. 1 N.W. Flax, \$1.15 per bushel.

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Dairy in crocks and tubs, 15 to 20 cents per pound, creamery butter 30 cents per pound. Old butter, slow sale.

Potatoes.

Old potatoes off the market. New potatoes, 35c to 40c per bushel.

LIVE STOCK

Receipts of hogs are light. Cattle are becoming more plentiful. Cattle, live weight—Steers, 3c per pound; Cows, 2 1/2c per pound.

Live hogs, heavy, 6 1/2c per pound; light and medium, 6c to 6 1/2c per pound.

Live sheep 5 1/2c per pound. Veal calves live weight, 3 1/2 to 4 1/2c per lb. Veal calves, dressed, 6 to 8c per pound.

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WINNIPEG.

October 3. The wheat markets are showing increasing strength after an easier tone on Friday and Saturday last and a sharp decline on Monday.

Since Monday however the tone is much stronger. In the last two days Liverpool has advanced 2 1/4 to 2 1/2 or about 3c plus which is a radical advance for that market in so short a time. The cause of the advance is the report of continued drought in Australia and drought in India which is detrimental to the ploughing and seeding of the new crop. Complaints are also current that the ground is too dry in many parts of Europe for the fall seeding. American markets have advanced 3c to 4c since Monday and all round there is a strong tone. In our Winnipeg market the feeling is firm and the demand for cash wheat greater than the supply. Today's closing prices are: 1 Nor, 106 1/2c; 2 Nor, 104c; 3 Nor, 99c. Feed wheat 68c spot or en route or October delivery. Futures closed Oct. 106 1/8c; Nov., 105 7/8c; Dec., 105c; May, 110c. Oats, barley and flax are all strong at good advances in price. Oats No. 2 white, 51 1/2c; 3 white, 49 1/4c; rejected 48 1/4c; spot or en route, Oct. delivery 51c; Dec., 50 5/8c; May, 52 1/2c; barley, No. 3, 66 1/2c; Nov., 65 1/2c; 2 white, 61c; 3 white, 59c; 1 Nor Western 130c, spot en route or Oct. delivery.

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Gillis—On Sept. 26 to Mr. and Mrs. J. Gillis, Clara street, Edmonton, a daughter.

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Watson—At Red Deer, on Sept. 22, to Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Watson, a daughter.

Strath—At Lacombe on Sunday, Sept. 15 to Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Strath, a daughter.

Sagnon—In Sturgeonville, on Sunday, September 22nd, to Mr. and Mrs. Adolphe Sagnon, a daughter.

Warke—On Monday, September 16th, to Dr. and Mrs. C. Lyle Warke, of Pine Lake, a son.

Lawrence—At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Duncan, Strathcona, Wednesday, Sept. 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Lawrence, of Fort Vermilion, a daughter.

MARRIED.

McAfee—Blair—At the Presbyterian manse, Calgary, on Sept. 18th, by Rev. John A. Clarke, Daniel McAfee, of Edmonton, to Elizabeth Lily Blair, of Kearney, Ireland.

Grundy—Jones—At All Saints' Church, Edmonton, on Sept. 25, Fred Grundy to Bertha, daughter of Robert Jones, Strathcona.

DIED.

McDonald—At Leduc, on Sunday, Sept. 29th, Mrs. L. E. Y. McDonald, beloved wife of Rev. Alexander McDonald, aged 62 years.

Hall—At the home of her brother-in-law, Rev. William Patterson, Philadelphia, the wife of H. E. Hall, contractor, Edmonton.

The Medicine Hat Agricultural Society has set a movement on foot to establish a demonstration farm at the Hat to be worked according to Prof. Campbell's system of scientific cultivation and the object of a recent visit paid to Calgary by W. C. Harris and T. M. Ralston was to interview J. S. Dennis, assistant to the second vice president of the C.P.R., with a view of enlisting the sympathy and support of the railway company in the object. Mr. Dennis very readily stated that the company were in full sympathy with the movement and would undoubtedly give it hearty and substantial support.

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To meet those objections, it has been decided:

FIRST—To extend the period of the offer from October 26th to December 26th. This will enable the successful competitors to start work at Alberta College directly after the new year, a much better time than the first of November would have been; **SECOND**—

Instead of awarding a Scholarship only to the person sending in the largest number of subscriptions arrangements have been made to present a scholarship giving a full year's tuition in the business course at Alberta College to every one sending in one hundred subscriptions at \$1.50 apiece.

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The Passing of the Famous Birtle Ranch

Marks an Epoch in the Development of Alberta.

The Lethbridge News reports a rumor, believed to be well-founded, that the herd of the famous Circle ranch has been sold and that the purchaser of the herd is Mr. W. R. Hull of Calgary, the largest individual cattle owner in the west.

The Circle Cattle Company, originally the Fort Benton and St. Louis Cattle Co., was one of the oldest, as well as the largest, concerns to graze cattle on the Alberta ranges. In the late seventies the I. G. Baker Co., then managed by, and later owned by, the Conrad Bros., operated a number of trading posts throughout Montana and Alberta. Baker's bull teams were the pioneers of this part of the country. Soon after the arrival in the west of the Mounted Police, this firm secured a contract from the Canadian government for the supply of beef to the police and to the Indian department. It was from cattle left over from deliveries made in accordance with this contract, and which were turned loose on the range, that the nucleus was formed of the herd, which, with the help of small additions made at various times, grew in about twenty years into a herd of over fifteen thousand head.

SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST.

It is always a case of the survival of the fittest in the Circle herd; for never a hoof was housed or fed, and calves were seldom weaned. They roamed at will over the open range, their only boundary the Missouri on the south and the Big Bow to the north. Since the earliest days to the present time, the same system of business has been followed. Early in the spring the round-up wagon "pulled out." It moved through the country branding all the calves and gathered the "beef," then it "pulled in" to repeat the same performance the following year. It was a simple method, and for many years sufficient but then came last winter with the exceptionally severe weather, and it was found wanting. It was not adapted to changed conditions, to a crowded range and farmers' fences, and so it entailed a heavy loss.

PASSING OF THE RANGE.

The decision to close out their

holdings in Alberta was the only move left to the Circle management. The day of the free range is passed and they have not at their command the large ranches and pastures that others have and that now are not to be obtained.

The Conrads have been so long connected with various enterprises in Alberta that their withdrawal from the cattle business may well be said to mark an epoch in the development of the country.

Sunny Alberta.

Wetaskiwin and the C.P.R. have amicably settled their crossing difficulty, Landsdowne street being closed and Pearce street being opened.

Councillor W. G. Shera who has been acting manager of Fort Saskatchewan since Mayor McKay's resignation has also resigned but is offering himself for re-election. His opponent is George O. Baetz. For the mayoralty H. E. Daniel, formerly town clerk, and J. J. Libbey are in the field, but it is said that the latter will retire.

Mikokis, the Indian who escaped from the barracks at Fort Saskatchewan in July, surrendered himself last week at Saddle Lake.

On application to Justice Scott, George W. Greeve has been removed as liquidator of the Red Deer Milling Co. The grounds upon which the application was made for the removal of Mr. Greeve were that he represented different and conflicting interests, and that he had at one time held \$1,000 worth of stock in the company, for which he had paid nothing, and that afterwards, and after large liabilities had been incurred by the company his shares were cancelled.

The Fort Saskatchewan Reporter says: "Owing to the false report rumored that the buffalo both at Banff Park and Elk Park were affected with disease called Mange, Staff Sgt. C. H. Sweetapple, Veterinary Surgeon of the Royal North West Mounted Police at this place, was called out to Elk Park on Thursday night last and at seven o'clock the following morning Staff-Sgt. Sweetapple procured a saddle horse from Mr. E. Simmons and accompanied by Mr. P. Ashby, assistant caretaker of the Park, he visited all portions of the Park and examined over one hundred of the buffalo that day, returning about 5.30 in the evening. These animals were all

viewed at close range and Mr. Sweetapple reports that there is absolutely no sign of disease of any kind and a report to this effect was at once forwarded to Ottawa."

At the municipal elections in Nanaimo, B. C., Cooper won out from S. T. Armstrong for mayor. The councillors elected for two years were T. B. McKay, S. Helling and W. L. Watt. Those who will enjoy the honor for one year are A. J. Robertson, M.L.A., E. T. Hallett and W. D. Ransom.

A. Staples, a homesteader ten miles north of Lethbridge has disappeared. Two Italians who are in possession of his farm and stock claim to have bought all for \$300. For some time he had been acting strangely, and it is feared he may have suffered foul play, though the Italians tell a perfectly straightforward story and are willing to return all articles on the payment of the price.

Messrs Beaupre and Spencer have sold the Grand Central Hotel at Okotoks to Messrs H. and A. Patterson, the former owners.

While out duck shooting, 18 miles west of town, two well-known Okotoks young men, John Jones and P. G. Connell were drowned. Their up-turned boat gave the first intimation of the tragedy.

The C.P.R. will add twelve stalls to its round-house at McLeod.

It is expected that five miles of sidings will be laid by the C.P.R. at Red Deer this fall.

Work will be commenced immediately on the \$200,000 steel bridge over the Red Deer river at Penfold.

The newly formed Agricultural Society for St. Albert district is making extensive preparations for the exhibition to be held on Oct. 10 and 11.

Rev. J. S. Short has been called to the pastorate of Dayland Presbyterian church.

The Liberals of Leduc have organized with the following officers: President, Dr. Baker; 1st vice, E. C. Wells; 2nd vice, C. W. Gaetz; sec. treas., O. McKay.

Leduc claims to have shipped more grain last year than any other town between Strathcona and Calgary.

Rev. C. C. Hoyle has resigned the incumbency of St. Paul's church, Leduc.

O. McKay of Leduc has been appointed Indian agent at Stoney Plain.

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DAILY ROMANCE.

(Roscoe Brumbaugh, in the Chicago Record Herald.)

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With never a roof for the wind or rain;

But you lies the sea with its wave-washed pier

And over the sea lies Spain.

And there I am known by a title high

As fiftieth the lord of a broad demesne;

For there is my kingdom, and here am I.

With only the sea between.

And so, as I lie on the bleak dune here,

With the fishermen yonder mending their seine.

I know that only the sea sweeps clear

'Tis me and my castle in Spain.

I see the sun on its fairy towers,

Whence a white hand beckons from over the sea;

I catch the breath of its rosy bowers,

Where somebody waits for me.

And be never the waves so wild and high,

And be never so broad the main,

There's a ship at sea that belongs to me,

And over the sea lies Spain.

Now is the heyday of pretty women in pretty clothes in fluffy frocks and stunning hats.

You can dodge the insinuation if you will and protest that chic outing suits, lovely dinner frocks, lace negligees, silken hose and delicate dainty lingerie don't interest you in the least, but your dental doesn't persuade me one little bit.

At a large tea recently I was chatting with a little group of women who possess more than the average charm and who are known to be rather more sensible than their sisters, and yet the conversation first, last and always turned on the invariable issue of frocks and furbelows, how we thought such and such a thing became Mrs. So and So, and whether the display of millinery in one of the up-town windows wasn't the biggest kind of a temptation.

Say what you will, a tea-room is not the time or place for sensible connected conversation, and the literary "blue" or moral reformer who in such surroundings a tempts any missionary work might better spare herself the pains. When women go a tea-drinking they go to be amused, to laugh and chatter, and display their smartest chignons.

It really is rather terrifying though, the important part woman's clothes have come to play in the popular estimate of the woman herself.

At one time, I know, the clever woman considered it quite beneath her dignity to waste time, money and thought on the question where-withal she should be clothed. So long as a garment remained respectable she religiously continued to wear it, irrespective of whether it was becoming, suitable, or in style. Recollect the early days of your own childhood, when if you had the average experience of the rest of us, in course of time, you "came into" many of your aunts and sisters' "good as new" frocks and tresses, which, because of their extreme ugliness and careful manufacture, refused to wear out.

If you are familiar with Rebecca Randall's struggles and triumphs at the brick house, you will have sent a sympathetic smile the way of the quiet child, when Aunt Miranda insisted on the brown check aprons versus pink, because they weren't so becoming and couldn't possibly make Rebecca vain.

To-day we no longer dodge facts. As one up-to-date woman crudely, but not too untruthfully put it, a man is often judged by the clothes his wife wears, and she, recognising this, sets about to make the best possible impression.

I remember indeed when a returned missionary's simple but very becoming clothes occasioned a week's agitated gossip in my home city's select set. Could this woman have "the cause" very much at heart when she took so much time studying good effects? Were the ladies of the church justified in placing in such frivolous beauty-loving hands the various widow's mites donated?

I have forgotten the outcome, but I like to remember the womanly woman who had the courage to want to be attractive.

Nowadays it is part of the game to create a good impression and practically no one neglects the little aids to beauty and dress that help to make the perfect tout ensemble. You will call to mind the large part fine clothes played in the success of the mighty swindlers carried through by Cessie Chadwick of Cleveland fame. Mrs. Chadwick gauged her public and knew that a smart appearance was half the battle she had to fight. Actresses too will tell you

that the costuming of a play is the most important factor in its success. A good play poorly dressed hasn't half the chance of the mediocre production superbly staged and costumed.

So much for women's point of view with regard to the question of dress, but what about the men?

The other day a friend handed me an English paper in which a man gave his opinion in regard to "Some Masculine Delusions," dress among other things, listen to some of them.

"Some wily woman in or before the Stone Age invented a series of useful delusions and palmed them off on unsuspecting man's eyes drawn flawless from the well of Truth. The unknown woman who did this thing was very ugly. Therefore she cunningly devised and circulated a series of specious proofs to prove that beauty is only skin deep and is invariably allied to viciousness.

Take ninety-nine men picked at random out of a hundred. Each unconsciously endows the plain woman with all the virtues under the sun. A woman has only to be dowdy and to dress her hair backwoods fashion, and every man she meets jumps straight to the conclusion that she is an excellent cook and house-keeper. Millions of plain women have made admirable marriages by reason of this masculine delusion.

To be a dowdy, Doreas sort of person, guileless of curling irons, waving pins, and other wiles of the devil—or the wily woman is equivalent to a substantial dowry.

A woman who dresses so badly will not waste her husband's substance on clothes and chiffons, argues deluded man.

After marriage he is positively staggered by the huge dress bill he runs up by some of these shabby-looking women who have positively nothing to show in a decorative direction—the draper's huge account rendered.

That all ugly women revel in stew-pans and money saving, and that they necessarily love their husbands, home and children, is another gigantic delusion on the part of man.

Into those whom the gods wish to destroy they first instill a belief in proverbs. Nearly every proverb invented since the world began was written or edited by an Ananias. The output of proverbs designed to warn men against pretty women has occupied the brains and energies of all the ugly ones through the centuries. Mothers instill a mistrust of lovely women into the minds of boy babies in the cradle. "Handsome is as handsome does" is dinned into each masculine ear by wily and hideous little girls who are still in the kindergarten stage. They do this to prevent boys from noticing that their hair is skimp and their skins sallow.

The consequence is that deluded man believes every rare-pretty woman to be vain and frivolous and ready to elope with her neighbor's husband at the first time of asking.

A subtle pity is universally felt for beauty's better half. "Well, I've got a good wife, even if she isn't much to look at," says his neighbor—the inference being beauty is not good, although it is nice to look at.

"I know it is better to be good than pretty," sighed a little feminine five-year-old to the writer the other day, "but I'd rather be pretty"—so universal has been the promulgation of the proverb that the devil owns all the pretty women just as he is said to possess all the best tunes."

HOME AND SOCIETY

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The engagement is announced of Miss Genevieve Ives, daughter of Mr. Thaddeus O. Ives, and Mrs. Ives, formerly of Compton, to Mr. R. P. Wallace, B.C.L., of Taber, Alberta, formerly of Cootick. Miss Ives is a sister of Albert E. Ives of Lethbridge.

One of the events of last week in Calgary was the marriage at the home of the bride's mother of Helmer Jane, youngest daughter of Mrs. E. A. Harrison, late of Bourne-mouth, England. The bride, the eldest son of R. G. Robinson, of the Elbow Park ranch. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Canon Hodgkin in the presence of a number of the immediate friends of the bride and groom. The bride was given away by her mother. The groom was supported by Mr. G. Beckett. The bride was dressed as looking charming in an elegant cream gown. Her sister, Catherine, acted as bridesmaid.

The marriage of Henry Ernest White of Red Deer, and Miss Amy May Williams, elder daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Williams of Olds, took

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place in St. John's church, Olds, on Thursday evening last. The Bishop of Calgary went by the afternoon train to perform the ceremony.

The bride looked very winsome in her dress of white silk. She entered the church leaning on her father's arm, and accompanied by her younger sister, Miss Helen Williams, who was the only bridesmaid. The groom was supported by Mr. Byron.

The bride and bridesmaid left for Calgary by the down train that evening and went on to Field, where the honeymoon will be spent.

The wedding of Miss Ruby Jamieson to Mr. Reginald Stuart was a very quiet affair, the ceremony being performed by Rev. A. D. McDonald, of Edmonton. The bride, Miss Ruby Jamieson, was the daughter of the groom, Mr. Frank Wrigley playing the Wedding March. The bride and groom, being members of Knox Church choir, were presented by the choir with an exquisite candle. They left in Mr. Jamieson's private car for a two weeks' trip to the coast cities.

A polo dance was held on Friday of last week at the home of Col. Marryat of Haunted Lake, after the match with the Millerville Club which the visitors won by 10-0. Other versions, following the match, were several shooting and bridge parties.

The Wetaskiwin cricket club held a most enjoyable dance in Angus Hall in that city a week ago last Friday night. The success of the affair was due to the energetic officers of the club, Mr. J. Davis, president, Mr. E. A. Bailey, vice president and Mr. J. C. Roper, captain.

Each year when the leaves are at the zenith of their glory and the Saskatchewan valley is one blaze of riotous color, the Golf Links for two or three days become the objective point for all lovers of the royal sport, as well as those whose visit to the club house is more by way of indulging in social amenities. It is the week of the Golf Tournament, and so important a position has it come to hold in the social world that all other attractions and entertainments seem scarcely to be thought of. For a few days at least we are all golf mad, or fresh air mad—which, if you will properly consider the question, is one and the same thing.

This year the tournament starts on Friday and continues until Monday evening, and no doubt we shall have some splendid exhibitions of how the game should be played. These of us who are more successful in hitting the ground than the ball, will have all the fun too of seeing how our friends and intimates conduct themselves when things go wrong "before company." I understand it is a sore test. But indeed we have some crick players who have no need for indulging in language.

Dr. Corbett and Mr. Simpson, Mr. Frank Sommerville and Mr. Graham and several others, I might mention are all capable handlers of the tricky sticks, while among the ladies there are several who are rated considerably better than the average. I understand some players, who have come from Calgary, but the general opinion seems to be that we can more than hold our own with them.

In any case their presence will prove an added interest. Lunch and tea are to be served on the three days at the Club House by the Lady Members, and on Monday evening Mrs. St. George Jellett has invited the entire club membership to her home on Seventh street.

All in all it will make quite a gala week-end and will provide conversation in plenty for the next few days.

Considerable interest has been aroused by the announcement of the Masonic Ball to be held on Oct. 25th and already one hears of lovely frocks, and great preparations in the making for the success of a dance in the Thistle Rink is always a foregone conclusion and it goes without saying that the ball under the patronage of the Masons will be no exception.

Whispers of several private dances to be have been carried by the ubiquitous "little bird" who always knows more than his prayers, but this time I can vouch for his information. Such a hint to a pretty girl should be sufficient to have her have all her party frocks looking their daintiest.

Rumor has it that Mrs. Emery is shortly to leave for the Old Country, which we hope is true for her self devotion to her beloved Scotland being well known among her friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Driscoll are away at the coast having a delightful holiday and several others have announced their intention of visiting this earthly paradise before the snow flies.

A host of friends will regret to hear that Mrs. Metcalfe expects to leave for her home in Port Hope the latter part of the month. Since she first arrived to visit her daughter she has been one of the merriest women at all the little social functions and her departure will leave a blank we don't like to contemplate.

Mr. Marriott of the Bank of Commerce, Strathcona, expects his mother on a visit some time this month.

I hear that when the Oddfellows' Hall is completed in the pretty town

across the river, which they expect will be some time in November, there is to be a large ball and great doings. Here's hoping the little bird guessed right for the second time.

On Tuesday afternoon Miss Ethel Gouderham gave a very pleasant tea to a number of her girl friends, to meet Mrs. Pardee, who, as Marjory Mowat, was so popular a member of Toronto society's young circle, and whose arrival on a visit to her grandfather, Principal McLaren has been the signal for a generally hearty welcome from her co-temporaries. Mrs. Pardee is returning very soon to Edmonton, and I hear that Miss Gouderham is going west with her. — Toronto Saturday Night.

Among other friends Mrs. Pardee has visited Mrs. Donald Macdonald's people in Coburg, with which city she fell very much in love.

Mrs. Spratt entertained most delightfully at a small dinner party on Monday evening, covers for eight being laid and the table beautifully arranged with lovely autumn bloom and some exquisite leaves.

Mrs. Sydney B. Woods had a few friends in for a musical evening on Saturday, when Miss Muriel Whitney, Mrs. Biggar, and Mr. Marriot sang some exquisite songs in spite of did voice, and Miss Bowers played a beautiful prelude and the accompaniments in brilliant style. Other numbers by lesser lights added no less materially to the pleasure of the evening which was happily, of that unhappily too seldom, informal character, which made it a genuine delight to all present.

Mrs. Cross and Mrs. Horace Harvey are busily engaged in getting settled in their new homes, on Hardy Ave. and Eighth street respectively, while Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Buchanan are preparing to move into their residences on McKay Ave. and Thirtieth street. Mrs. Buchanan is expected back from the east this month.

The marriage took place on September 21, at Westmount, Montreal, of Miss Grace E. McKean, eldest daughter of the late George McKean, of Westmount, to Mr. John McIntosh, of Edmonton, son of the late Hon. John McIntosh, M.P., of Sherbrooke. Rev. J. G. Clark performed the ceremony. The bride was given away by her cousin, Mr. Donald D. McKean, of Valleyfield.

She wore her travelling costume of dark blue broadcloth, trimmed with Alice blue velvet and black and silver braid, and a large felt hat trimmed with a shaded blue plume. She also wore a grey feather bon and carried a bouquet of white roses. Miss Helen McKean, who attended her sister as bridesmaid, wore a blue and white striped silk gown, a black velvet picture hat with a long black plume and carried American beauty roses. Mrs. James McIntosh, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh left for a short trip to New York, after which they will return to Montreal for a week before leaving for their home in Edmonton. The bridegroom gave the bride a necklace of emeralds, rubies and pearls. To the bridesmaid he gave a jewelled brooch, and to the best man gold initial cuff links.

On Friday of last week Mrs. (Dr.) McDonnell held her post-nuptial reception at the home of her mother, Mrs. York, Seventh street south, when a large number of callers paid respects to the bride. Mrs. McDonnell wore a handsome gown of white Japanese silk de chine, while her mother was gowned in black lace and tulle. Mrs. Secord, Mrs. Gillespie and Mrs. Wells were on duty in the tea-room, their assistants being Miss Perkins and Miss McLean. The tea table presented a most attractive appearance and the playing of the orchestra added much to the pleasure of the afternoon and evening.

Mrs. Lynch is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Barford, who is rejoicing in the gift of a bonny wee son.

Mrs. Stend of Winnipeg is visiting Mrs. Jack O'Neil Hayes, at her cosy cottage on Fourteenth street.

The flag is grayly flying at Government House again, His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Bulven having returned to town on Tuesday.

Miss Marjorie Saunders is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Palmer some English visitors at Banff, who are at present entertaining a large house party of English friends.

Mrs. James Biggar was the hostess of a jolly little skating party on Thursday evening, Mrs. Frank Sommerville, Miss Supple, Miss Cardell of Calgary, Miss Whitney and the Messrs. Fowler, Supple, Rathbun and Marriot being the guests.

On their return from the rink a delicious light supper was served and a most enjoyable musical evening spent.

Mrs. McDonnell will in future receive at her mother's residence, 522 Seventh street, on the first and third Mondays.

Mrs. Percy Barnes was the hostess of a charming Five O'Clock at her cosy home on Fifth street, on Thurs-

day afternoon, a very bright company of guests thronging her quaintly artistic rooms for the hour. Mrs. Barnes received her friends, in a mauve tulle gown with a handsome black lace overdress and gave each that sincere word of welcome which it is a genuine gift to know how to bestow. Throughout the rooms many lovely autumn flowers added their touch of beauty to the attractive tout, ensuring a rare old china, quaint ornaments and artistic furnishings, never forgetting the added interest of a congregation of smartly frocked women. Among the little coterie I noticed Mrs. Mowat looking wonderfully pretty and attractive in a handsome black net gown with rich lace ornamentation and a stunning white feather stole. Mrs. Stead, a visitor from Winnipeg, in a quaint black costume and dainty bonnet crowning her lovely white hair, as pretty as a picture. Mrs. Jack Anderson daintily frocked in a soft blue and white checked silk, piped with navy blue, and a trig flower trimmed chapeau, looking well indeed. Miss Pilot, a striking looking English visitor in brown tulle, smart mink toque and furs, Mrs. Goldwin Kirkpatrick, Miss Crosshill, Mrs. Dawson, Miss Shibley, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Hislop, Mrs. Constantine, Mrs. Harold Brunton and many others.

Mrs. Lynch came in late, looking very bright and well, wearing a rich black costume with handsome Spanish lace scarf, and was warmly welcomed by her many friends. In the tea room Mrs. Wallace Macdonald and Mrs. Jack O'Neil Hayes presided at the tea table, beautifully arranged with an epergne of pink geraniums and fairy like fern on a striking hand painted white velvet centrepiece.

Mrs. Joseph Morris has resumed her former reception days the first and fourth Tuesdays of the month.

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The Poultry and Pet Stock Association will not hold a bench show in connection with the poultry exhibition this year and the probability is that a branch of the Canadian Kennel Club will be formed for the purpose of putting one on. The Poultry Association, which is in a flourishing condition, has chosen these officers: Honorary President, George Harcourt; Deputy Minister of Agriculture, president, Jas. A. Stovel; vice president, K. J. Manson; secretary treasurer, L. Knowles; committee men for Edmonton, Francis Taylor, T. S. Mattison, J. S. Knowles, W. A. Fife, Thos. Garbett and Jos. Thompson. Committees for Strathcona, W. S. Cameron, J. T. Richards, and E. Harrison.

Five hundred subjects of Queen Wilhelmina are expected to go into the Peace River country next year. They will arrive from Holland early in the spring.

The feast of St. Joseph, the patron saint of the Edmonton Orthodox Greek church, will be celebrated last Sunday. An out door procession preceded the morning service and was a very picturesque sight. A large number of Ruthenians from the surrounding country were in attendance.


The Edmonton and Strathcona exhibits at New Westminster fair this week are attracting no little attention. They are in every way a credit to Ald. Daly and Mr. J. L. Porte, who prepared them.

A 1065 pound bell for the church of the Immaculate Conception on Kinsisto Avenue reached Montreal last week from Antwerp.

Rev. J. G. Shearer, secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance, addressed a largely attended meeting in the Baptist church, Strathcona, on Sunday night.

Mr. J. R. Lavell, ex-M.P.P., barrister, Strathcona, delivered a stirring address on the relation of the government to the people at the Edmonton Conservative Club rooms on Friday night.

A wandering buffalo was seen near Mr. Rice Sheppard's farm, just outside Strathcona, last week. It is believed to be one of the island Park herd that escaped when being unloaded.



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